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East Jordan, Michigan

Fond farewell

City commissioner Dan McKinnon's term comes to end

It was the last East Jordan City Commission meeting for Dan McKinnon and he bid his farewell and expressed his appreciation to fellow commissioners last Tuesday.

"I want to thank you for your support for the last two years," McKinnon said. "It's been good to see the accomplishments we've made."

McKinnon's two-year term ends on Dec. 31. He did not seek reelec-

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--Dan McKinnon

tion in last November's election. Jeanette Norton succeeds him.

Also at the meeting, commissioners approved the purchase of two new ambulances.

A 1997 ambulance was purchased for \$46,998. The unit will be used primarily for transferring patients. A 1996 ambulance was purchased for \$76,710. It is a larger unit and will hold more equipment. Both ambulances are expected to arrive in late January or early February. The old ambulances will be sold.

Administrator David White told commissioners that the city staff is reviewing the sign code for various districts and the city as a whole. The Downtown Development Authority is also taking a look at the code for the DDA district. White asked commissioners for their input.

Journal printed early next week

The East Jordan Journal will be printed one day early next week.

The deadline for all news and advertising is 3 p.m. Friday for the Jan. 1 issue.

The newspaper will be delivered to subscribers Tuesday and will be available on newsstands at most locations by Tuesday at noon.

The staff of the Journal wishes you a Merry Christmas.



A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS POEM

By SHIRLEY CROZIER

*Little girls like horses and kittens
Little boys hate hats and mittens.
Girls like ridin' on Daddy's knee -
But they grow up too soon, just wait and see.*

*Chubby little cheeks just made for kissin'
Stars on the tree just made for wishin'
Christmas lights sparkle and shine in their eyes,
Santa's gonna' come with a big surprise!*

Unsure steps of a happy little toddler

*Watching for Santa, what's all the bother?
All he knows now is candy tastes good
So he'll be good like all kids should.*

*Eyes are gettin' heavy as they nod their little heads
Looks like someone is ready for bed.
Pretty little girl with auburn curls
Handsome little boy, to challenge the world.*

*My heart is so happy, these children so dear
I love their hugs and having them near.
Not much longer they'll have to wait,
What'll Santa bring, a dolly or some skates?*

*So jump in bed and be a good kid
Like Mom and Dad said they always did.
Leave cookies and milk — leave carrots, too!
Santa's comin' tonight to see me and you!*

*The tree before me in fragrant and shiny
The bundle I hold is Oh, so tiny
Grandchildren are special, they make memories so dear...
So, Merry Christmas to you and A Happy New Year!*

(Shirley Crozier is a resident of Boyne City)

Mother follows her son's wise advice

By B. J. HETLER

Mitchell Bartlett got the message and he used it.

The East Jordan third-grader has sat on the gym floor in the elementary school along with the other students, and listened to firefighters from the East Jordan Fire Department as they demonstrated safety procedures. He's also sat with fellow students in the classroom and watched videos on fire safety.

Then at home on a Thursday morning a few weeks ago, Mitchell used what he had learned to help his mother when her robe caught on fire.

"Stop, drop and roll!" the eight-year-old shouted at his mother, Debbie Bartlett. Debbie was cooking breakfast at her gas range on Dec. 5 when the belt on her robe fell into the burner. The robe was extremely flammable and the fire spread to other parts of her robe, Debbie said.

"It happened so quickly and spread so fast that I began to panic," she said.

Mitchell, his older brother and younger sister and their dad were nearby when the accident happened. Mitchell said he was scared, but that didn't stop him from remembering what he had learned.

"She started to run around," Mitchell said.

"That's when I said, 'stop, drop and roll.'"
"I thought, 'what a good idea,'" Debbie said. She dropped to the floor and rolled and the flames

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--Mitchell Bartlett

went out immediately. Only a piece of her hair was singed.

The safety phrase is taught by fire departments to school children throughout the area during fire safety presentations. Mitchell heard a presentation by the firefighters in October during Fire Prevention Week.

The students are also taught safety rules if there is a house fire, and are given a demonstration about the gear and equipment that firefighters use. Videos are shown and the kids are given coloring books with fire safety pictures.

"Whatever the firemen do in their presentations

really makes an impression," Debbie said. "The kids take it seriously. They come home and talk about it and want to go through safety checks in the house."

Mitchell's third-grade teacher, Mary Sivula, heard about the incident from Debbie and shared it with the class. "The class was very impressed," Sivula said. "They all clapped for him." Sivula put the story in the school newsletter.

Knowing he helped his mother makes him feel good, Mitchell said. At first the attention from his family and classmates was embarrassing, but Mitchell is adjusting and is proud to be a class hero.

But he's a hero to his mother more than anyone else. Debbie said Mitchell's reaction to the fire was surprising because she wasn't aware of his ability to think so clearly and quickly.

"He's usually pretty sidetracked," Debbie said. "My other son is usually more focused. It amazed me that he reacted the way he did."

"I'm very, very proud of Mitchell. He's my hero. I could have been badly burned if it weren't for his quick thinking."

Mitchell is getting back to his normal life at home and at school. Does he see a career in fire fighting when he grows up? Not yet.

"I want to be a professional football player," Mitchell said.



Mitchell Bartlett and his mother Debbie

OPINION

*Peace and Joy
at Christmastime*

--From the staff of The Citizen and East Jordan Journal,
best wishes for the holiday season.

A MOM'S LIFE

Holiday traditions raise questions

By CINDI PLACE

While we go about our holiday preparations, doing activities that we've done every year for what seems like forever, we sometimes find ourselves taking for granted things that are actually quite exceptional.

Until we moved to northern Michigan, holidays meant spending time with our families and traveling short distances to visit with relatives. But once we moved north, the distances were a lot greater and the time spent with family was a lot shorter.

Even the simple holiday preparations like finding and decorating a Christmas tree or putting lights and lawn decorations in our yard, take on an entirely different meaning when we share things with someone who is unaccustomed to our holiday traditions.

Our family has had the pleasure of hosting a student from Germany this past year. What began as a favor for a friend became an adventure for everyone in our household. We have learned more geography, German traditions and world history in these few short months than we ever imagined we would. And we have even learned a lot about our own American history and culture just by having to explain certain events or traditions to our German friend.

But at no time has the differ-

ences in our two cultures been more pronounced than during this special holiday time. And as this wonderful young lady shared with our family the ways that her family celebrates Christmas, we found ourselves fascinated with stories about real candles on Christmas trees and little girls dressed all in white and Father Christmas arriving on Christmas Eve bearing gifts.

But we also found ourselves reflecting on all the similarities between our two cultures. Midnight Mass is a highlight of our exchange student's childhood memories, as it is with our family. And sharing a big meal with friends and family during Christmas Day is a tradition in both of our homes. Everyone exchanges gifts, although to be honest the gift giving part is a much bigger deal in the United States.

Whenever we would do something in celebration of the season, our guest would always question us about the reasons and history regarding the specific activity. While she understood the meaning of Advent and the preparations we make before Christmas Day, the numerous advent calendars in our home were a constant source of queries.

Many of these "time-keepers" had been made by our children when they were really little, so each calendar had a special history and meaning to us. As we decorated our

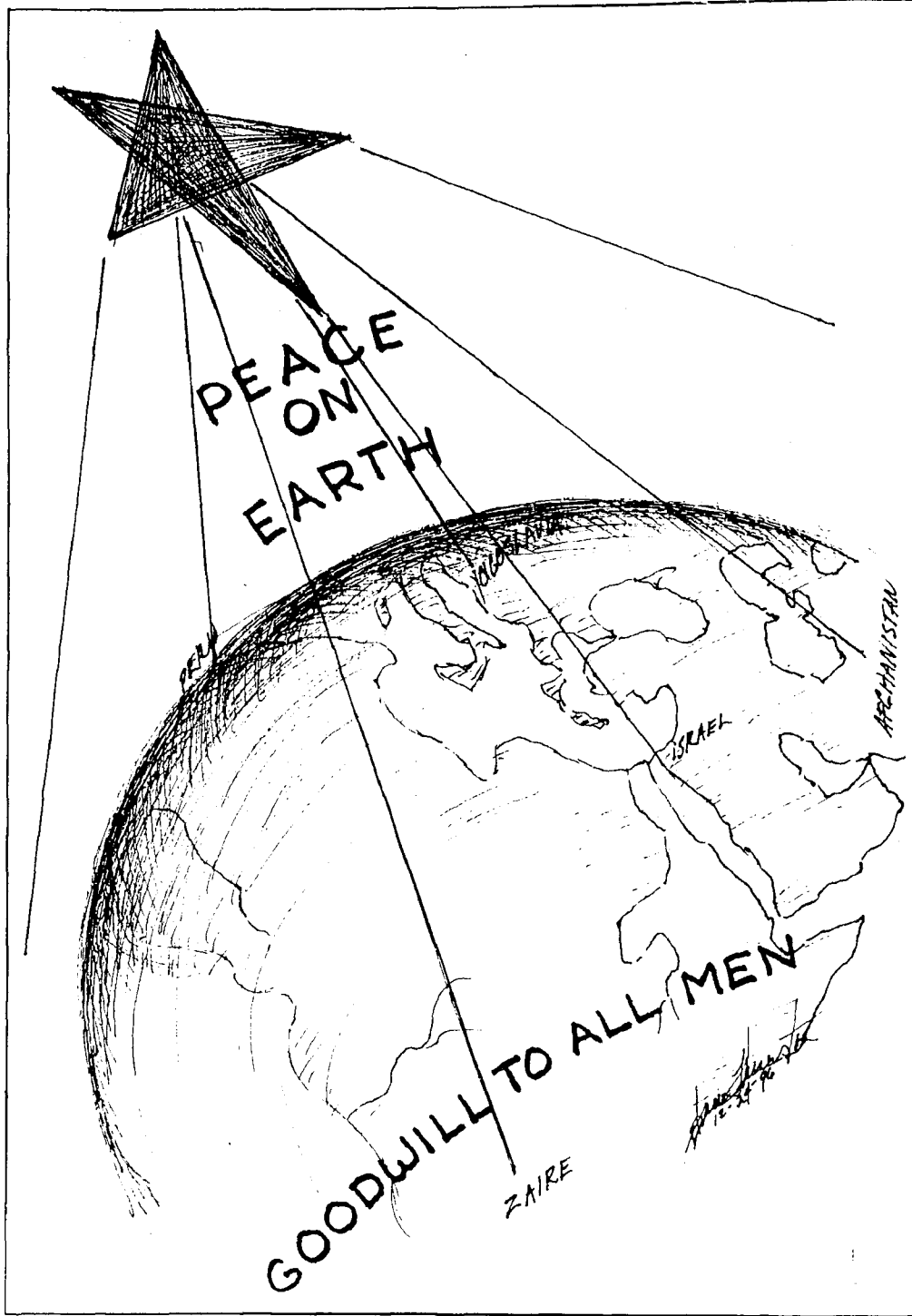
Christmas tree, each ornament had to be explained since with each one came a funny story, or a sweet memory.

Having our German friend spend time with us has truly been an unforgettable experience. We have all learned much about each other and our respective countries. By having to teach the other about what makes our worlds different, I think we have gained a better understanding of our own history and culture. But best of all, we have been the recipient of each other's friendship.

Our friend will be leaving us in a few days. She will return to her family and hopefully will be able to share with her friends and relatives good stories about those "crazy" Americans. She told me once that what surprised her the most about the people here was that we weren't very different from the people in Germany. And that's after staying with our brood for nearly six months.

One final tradition will be shared before our young friend leaves us. She will join the rest of the children in our family to sing at Christmas Eve Mass.

As I sit in my pew trying to see through what undoubtedly will be a blurry view, I know that a little piece of my family's heart will be flying over that great, big ocean to a world that this wonderful young lady has represented so very beautifully.



IT'S ONLY LIFE

Only one topic works this week

By ROGER HUCKLE

Boy what a hectic week!

I was up until midnight Monday trying to get caught up on last month's paperwork. Tuesday night until 1 a.m. performing some major maintenance on a piece of equipment, and up until 2 a.m. Thursday finishing up some last minute orders. Then I find out that today (Friday) is the deadline for next week's paper and I haven't written a word — just another normal "Week Before Christmas."

I was toying with the idea of writing a letter to Santa listing all my wants this Christmas — like a new roof for my building, or maybe world peace, or maybe even a Main Street full of thriving businesses, but this is all just wishful thinking.

Then I thought I might write a David Letterman style top ten reasons why East Jordan is such an interesting community, but my wife

told me my sometimes wry sense of humor would probably get me into trouble with some of the subjects on my list. I might still do that sometime, but I'll probably have to temper some of my barbs — I enjoy poking fun but I would hate to offend anybody right before Christmas.

When I voiced my difficulty of trying to come up with something to write about this week, I received suggestions ranging from a listing of pet peeves to a serious statement about the recall election, but none of the suggestions had the right ring to it for the Christmas Eve edition of the paper.

I was hoping to come up with something inspirational — momentous — gift of the Magi-ish (is that correct grammar?) — something that befits the season, but the muse has deserted me. I haven't even finished my shopping yet (as if that's news).

To top it off, the only Christmas song that keeps running through my

mind is "All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth" (actually I do need a couple of wisdom teeth pulled - hint, hint).

So here I sit rambling on about nothing hoping that some idea will coagulate into a column. I think I shall resolve to stop procrastinating when it comes to writing columns next year. I always wait to read the Journal-Citizen before starting in case there's something timely that I haven't found out about yet. I think I'll try to get one or two articles ahead so I don't have to worry about deadlines anymore (coming from somebody that waits to the last minute to finish shopping, the previous resolution will probably be broken by the first issue in January).

I guess all I can do this year is to say thanks to you all for your friendship, patronage, kind support and constructive criticism, and wish you all the very best and merriest Christmas in years.

LETTERS

Celebrating the real meaning of Christmas

TO THE EDITOR:

What a joy it was to gather Dec. 8 at St. Matthew Church and celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. Not only was it expressed in the music and the fellowship, but in the gathering together of Christians as one

body, to celebrate the birth of our one Lord.

I want to thank my colleagues on the Boyne City Ministerial Association who organized this event, with special gratitude to the Rev. Lane Eddy of the Free Methodist Church for his leadership and to Dan

Mills and Lisa Bondarenko for their special music.

May Christ be alive in your Christmas this year, and may the joy and peace He alone extends be in your hearts.

Rev. Kathy Slaughter

LETTERS

Parents question fairness, logic of attendance policy

TO THE EDITOR:

We are writing in response to the letter (Nov. 29, 1996) from the Boyne City High School student who expressed dismay over the loss of academic points due to any absence.

A parental explanation as to why the absence was unavoidable, such as an illness or a death in the family, has no impact on the reduction in points which follows. Nor is this policy clearly explained in the rules given by each teacher who chooses to follow this attendance grading policy. The percentage of the grade based on attendance varies, as does its enforcement.

If schools are expected to prepare the student for the "world of work," then this policy is illogical. An employee's earned compensation is not decreased if the worker is ill. They may not be paid for that missed day, but their earned pay is not reduced.

Is it reasonable to penalize students for an excused absence when their teachers have a paid sick leave plan? Should students be held to higher standards than the professional who heads the class?

The county health department has regulations on closing schools when a certain percentage of students are absent because of illness. With the national emphasis on the warnings and concern about the Influenza A flu outbreaks, is Boyne City High School going to take the position that ill students should be in class?

This radical policy of grading on attendance is not followed in other local schools. The Boyne City policy is in conflict with state guidelines which distinguish between excused and unexcused absences. Seat warming should not be considered an academic achievement, and that is what determines this so-called "participation" grade.

We would contend that this policy is patently unfair and unreasonable. Those who wish to express an opinion on the policy review of this issue should attend the school board meeting on Monday, Jan. 6, 7:30 p.m. at the high school. The agenda will include a request for input from the public regarding their attendance grading policy. Those who want to protect the status quo will be there.

It is imperative that those who believe that a student should not be penalized for an excused absence are also there and also heard. Call a board member. Write a letter. Let the superintendent know of your concerns. Attend the meeting to help voice your support for a fair policy for all of Boyne City High School students.

They deserve no less!

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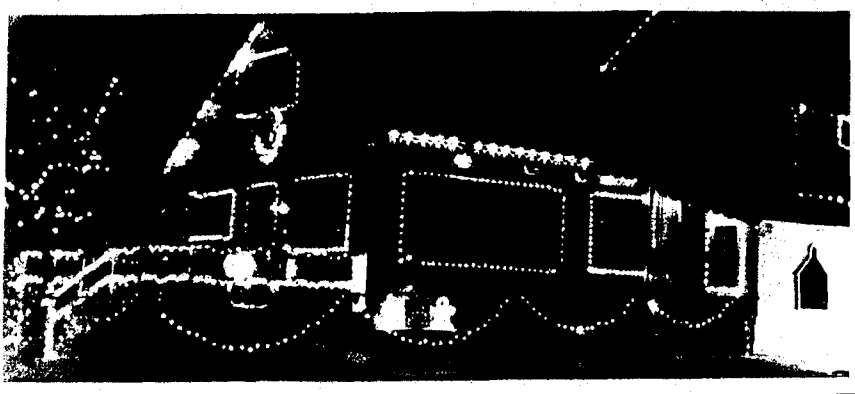
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Judges' choice

The Boyne City home of David and Annette Wilson at 602 Main St., (at right) tied for second place in this year's Tour of Lights residential contest. The other second place winners were John and Tammy Gasco, at the corner of Behling and Pleasant Valley. First place went to Randy and Diane Frykberg at 1249 Lake Shore Drive and third place winner was Terry Lynch at 01690 Tomkins Road. The contest is in conjunction with the Tour of Lights trolley rides that run through Dec. 28, excluding Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.



COMPUTER SCREENING

Plug-in, download and track Santa's travels

By ELIZABETH MCKENNEY

It amazes me how vast the Internet is. It's growing at a phenomenal rate and trying to keep up is, at best, challenging. Yet, it is so new I can only imagine what lies ahead.

My plug-in library is growing. People are developing and improving plug-ins constantly. Plug-ins are programs used to enhance your virtual trip throughout the World Wide Web (WWW). I've updated my RealAudio player recently, downloading it free from RealAudio's homepage (www.realaudio.com). Once you have RealAudio, go to AudioNet's homepage (www.audionet.com).

I was able to receive a fairly good connection to some FM and AM stations across the nation. If you enjoy talk radio, they have a log of previously recorded shows and live broadcasts. WARNING: keep the kids away from the "Dan & Scott

Show" it's definitely adult humor. Various live concerts have also been recorded. And of course, broadcasts of national news.

Some radio stations even have an 800 number you can call and tell them you're listening live on the WWW. I haven't found any local stations, yet! You can choose any one of these options and still surf the web while listening!

You think you've got all you need when you purchase a system with all the software bundled in one neat package. If you plan on browsing the internet and you really want to enhance your experience to each site you hit, you'll soon find out that you need to download the latest upgrades to your software, along with the major plug-ins for your helper applications. Lots of free programs and some shareware are available for download.

Have no fear, it is really a simple task, just somewhat time consuming.

There are video, audio, and image application plug-ins that you may need. December's issue of NET GUIDE has a nice reference to the latest and greatest of those you will need.

My best advice: read those "readme" files and hit the faq's page (faq = frequently asked questions). Don't let this scare you into confusion. You don't have to have a slew of plug-ins to use the Internet. Most pages offer text only versions, but they're just not the same as the spiced up pages, unless it's strictly information you're looking for.

We have a new business in town, Up North Net Associates, my new connection to the net. If you're looking to get connected to the Internet, give them a call at 582-1320. Check them out at: www.unnet.com. They have a fun link for the kids to the North Pole. You can even send Santa an e-mail letter! I hear we'll be able

to track his journey on the WWW this Christmas Eve, kewl!

My system hasn't even had its first birthday yet and I can't believe how the prices on the market have dropped for its size and speed class. It does not matter when you buy your system, it will always be cheaper six months down the road due to the new and improved models hitting the shelves.

I think I'm okay for a while, before I need to upgrade any major system components. Now want is a different thing.

Christmas vacation is here, two weeks off. You know what I'll be doing. Don't try to call, just send me an e-mail: shineon@unnet.com.

(Elizabeth McKinney is a self-proclaimed internet junkie. She writes a monthly column from her home between East Jordan and Boyne City.)

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To the many fine citizens of this community, we'd like to offer our own best wishes and heartfelt appreciation for making us feel a part of it all.

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES

THE WALLOON Lake Community Church's Christmas Eve service begins at 6 p.m. The miracle of the Savior's birth will be presented through Scripture readings, singing, prayers and drama. Special music will be provided by the church orchestra and choir, Johnson Brass and various soloists. There will be carol singing and a candle lighting as part of the Christmas Eve Celebration.

THE UNITED METHODIST Church of Boyne Falls will have its Christmas Eve Service at 5 p.m. which will include candle lighting and singing of carols.

THE UNITED METHODIST Church of Boyne City will have its Christmas Eve Service at 6:30 p.m. The service will include candle lighting, caroling and special music by the choir.

THE BAY SHORE Presbyterian Church will hold a candle light service on Christmas Eve at 7 p.m. Communion will be served. Child care will not be available.

THE BOYNE CITY Presbyterian Church will hold a Christmas Eve service at 9:30 p.m. Communion will be served. Child care will be provided.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH in Boyne City will have its children's liturgy at 5:30 p.m. and Mass at 8 p.m. On Christmas Day, St. Augustine's in Boyne Falls will have a service at 9 a.m. and St. Matthew's will hold its service at 11 a.m.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH in Boyne City will have services at 5 and 11 p.m. The services will include candle lighting and communion.

THE EAST JORDAN Missionary Church Christmas service begins at 10 a.m. The service will include the "Christmas Story on Flannel" and caroling.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH of the Nativity will hold a Christmas Eve candle light service at 7:30 p.m.

A familiar face returns to Boyne City School Board

By B. J. HETLER

The Boyne City School Board appointed a new member, who comes with experience.

Linda Simpson was picked by the board at a special meeting last Wednesday. She will serve until June, 1997, the date of the next school election. The candidate elected will serve the remaining two years of Steve Voice's term. Voice resigned on Dec. 9, after serving 5 1/2 years.

The board acted quickly to fill the seat because it had a deadline of Dec. 29. If it had not filled the seat by then, the School Code requires that the Intermediate School District board fill the vacancy.

Other applicants for the appointment were Paul Wise and Ken Schrader. Wise works as a bus driver for the district which he would have to leave to serve on the board, and Schrader's application was received after the deadline.

Simpson served on the board for four years in the early 1990s. She was on the board during a time when there were many curriculum changes, she said. The "At Risk" program began during that time and it was the one she was the most involved with.

Simpson is still involved in the "At Risk" parents' group and is a



Linda Simpson

mentor at the high school. She and her husband, Dennis, have two daughters and a son. She has lived in the area for 13 years.

The Community Group recommendations and teacher contracts are the two big issues facing this board, Simpson said. She does not know at this time if she will run for election to the board when her appointment expires in June.

"I hope to do a good job during this transition period," Simpson said. "It should be a smoother transition because I've been on the board before."

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SEASON'S GREETINGS



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Sarah, Jeannie & Linda

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Have A Merry Christmas And A
Safe And Happy New Year!

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We can do that!



After more than 13 years, Randy Frykberg attended his last city commission meeting last week and will start his new job with Wade-Trim Jan. 6.

**IT WAS A LONG, PRODUCTIVE TENURE
FOR CITY MANAGER RANDY FRYKBERG**

The end of an era

By HUGH CONKLIN

Life is not going to be the same around Boyne City City Hall, at least not for a while.

After more than 13 years, Randy Frykberg is leaving his job as city manager to tackle new challenges with Wade-Trim, a planning, engineering and consulting firm with offices throughout the state. Frykberg will be working out of the company's Gaylord office as a municipal affairs consultant.

He starts his new job Jan. 6.

In the meantime, with the few days he has left at the helm of city government, he's tying up loose ends, bringing closure to some projects, and in his quiet moments at least, thinking about the highs and lows of the past 13-plus years.

When Frykberg accepted the city manager's job, he told the city commission that he "was not looking at this job as a stepping stone to a bigger community."

He was true to his word.

What keeps a person in a job that on average sees turnover every 3 to 5 years?

"I love the area," Frykberg said, "but most of all, I love the people."

Then why does one leave after so many years?

"Several events made me analyze the job," Frykberg said. As each year passed he had more involvement with the city. There were more advisory board and commission meetings, just many more things to do.

And with that came more pressure and the pressure for Frykberg, he said, turned to stress. He decided to do something about it.

There was also the need for more family time. With so many evening meetings, he had precious little time for his wife Diane, and their two sons, Andy, a senior at Boyne City High School, and Eric, an eighth grader at the middle school.

Wade-Trim offered Frykberg its newly created consulting position in late November and over the Thanksgiving holiday the Frykbergs sat down as a family to talk. They decided a change was in their best interest. On the Sunday following Thanksgiving, Frykberg informed Mayor Thelma Behling of his decision and at that week's Tuesday commission meeting, he made it public.

"It wasn't an easy decision," he said.

Over 13 years a lot has changed in Boyne City and there have been many accomplishments for the city manager, but none more significant than passage of the \$3.5 million infrastructure improvement

millage.

"That turned everything around,"

Frykberg said.

It helped attract industry, allowed more building in the community, and helped get the city moving.

"That was without a doubt the biggest accomplishment."

How the community has restructured itself, and is now planning for the future rather than just addressing the short term, is also significant, Frykberg said. He cites the Downtown Development Authority's long term plan, and the update of the city's master plan as examples.

He is also proud of the air-industrial park, waterfront improvements and the expansion of the parks.

Although he's leaving city government, Frykberg won't be leaving Boyne City and for a while at least, he'll be a familiar face around city hall.

He is assisting the commission in its search for a new city manager, and he will be working with city staff on the 1997-98 budget. He attended his last city commission meeting as city manager last Tuesday, but he will still be attending some meetings.

And when he's not working this winter, Frykberg will be on the slopes of Boyne Highlands for his 31st season on the ski patrol. It was the ski patrol that originally lured him to northern Michigan and he moved here full time 22 years ago.

When Frykberg was hired as Boyne's city manager on Oct. 31, 1983, it was his first job as a city manager although he had an extensive background working with city, township and county governments. What attracted him to Boyne City and away from his position as executive director and environmental program manager for the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments, was the progress he saw the city making.

At the time he was living in Walloon, commuting to his office in Gaylord.

"I liked the direction the city had been taking," Frykberg said, "and I felt I could offer something to the city." The city manager post also offered him a chance to settle down and cut down on the amount of traveling he was doing with the Council of Governments, which involved 113 local units of government in a six-county area.

Along with his expertise and educational background — Frykberg holds two masters degrees, one in water resources science and science teaching, and a Ph.D. in environmental science, Frykberg also

brought his upbeat attitude to the city manager position.

"I feel a positive attitude is very important," he said. He also believes it's important for a person to be in a position to make a contribution.

When Frykberg leaves on Jan. 6 an asterisk will go next to his name in Boyne City government history books. He is the longest-serving city manager since the city adopted the city manager form of government some 37 years ago. He broke Forces Tompkins' record, who served from Nov. 22, 1965 to July 12, 1977.

And he also leaves knowing he made a big difference for the city, but understands more work lies ahead for Boyne City.

"You hate to say all your goals were accomplished," he said, "because there are always more goals."

Search underway for new manager

The Boyne City Commission has started the process to find a successor to city manager Randy Frykberg.

The city has advertised in several publications, but it may be several months before a candidate is selected.

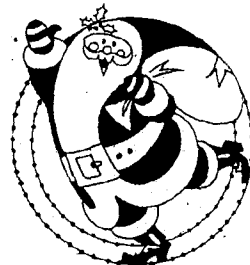
According to one of the ads the city is running, the ideal candidate selected will have a masters in public administration or a masters in business administration, plus five years of experience in local government leadership.

The candidate should also have a successful track record in municipal financial management, grant writing, communication, human resources, economic development, and public relations skills.

No salary has been advertised. When Frykberg started he was paid \$24,000. His current salary is \$48,000.

During the search process, city clerk Sue Hobbs will serve as acting city administrator.

**GREETINGS,
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With best wishes and lots of thanks to all of you.



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Church of the Nativity renovates sanctuary

It wasn't that long ago that members of the Episcopal Church of the Nativity met in Gen and Harv Varnum's family room around a ping-pong table.

The year was 1987 and for two years that's where members gathered.

But that was then and this is now. The church recently held a small open house to celebrate completion of its new sanctuary which has been renovated into a beautiful gathering place. Work began in June and included new drywall, trim, carpet, lighting, and doors for the entryway.

During the renovation, which was completed in August, services were held in the church basement.

Church members have a long list of people who have helped them get the church to where it is now. But none are more important than Dr. Walter Webber. He owned the building and named it the Grace church in honor of his mother. When he learned Church of the Nativity was looking for a church home, "he was very gracious," said Joan Strawbridge, a member of the church.

He covered the church's expenses for a period of time, then sold the building to the congregation on a land contract.

"We're so grateful to him," Mrs. Strawbridge said.

Harv Varnum also played a big role in getting the church started. One reason for his interest was his mother, a devout Episcopalian, who was



Pleased to have the renovation of the Episcopal Church of the Nativity's sanctuary complete are, from left: Wendy Breneman, Jan Arasim, Joan Strawbridge, Joyce Johnson, and Gen Varnum.

moving to the area. There was no Episcopal church in the area, so the Varnums and others decided to start one. When it was founded, it was the Diocese's first new church in 25 years.

The church's new doors are in memory of Harv's mother. Many others have also made contributions.

Ralph and Jeanne Graham donated the stained glass window be-

hind the altar, the organ came from a church in Gaylord, the altar came from Conway and was stored in the bell tower at Emmanuel Church in Petoskey, and Helene LaDuke donated the creche.

The Rev. Dan Linnenberg is pastor of Church of the Nativity, which has approximately 30 members. Church officers are Gary Osterbeck, senior warden; Phylliss Fox, secre-

tary; Lynn Osterbeck, treasurer; Kay Holley, Joyce Johnson and Frank Abbott, vestry members.

The church building, while a relatively new home to Holy Nativity, has a long history with Boyne City.

Eula Martin, a Boyne City historian, researched and wrote the following about the church building:

"In 1879 the village of South

Boyne was platted by Nicholls and Morgan. The village sprouted and grew in the three years since it was platted and the need for a school was apparent. Mr. Morgan gave land for a school in south Boyne, and in 1879 Boyne's first school was built on the corner of Park and Main streets, where the middle school playground is now located.

"The village grew rapidly and

the little schoolhouse was too small to provide the needs of the increasing number of students. A two-story white brick school was built in 1883, and the little old school was purchased by the Methodists and became their first church home, which they called the Methodist Chapel, and moved it across the road.

"In 1894 the Methodists built a new church building on the corner of Park and Pine streets where their present church is located, and the little former school house was sold to the Church of the Latter Day Saints. I believe it has been the church home for a couple of other denominations since that time."

Church of the Nativity is holding a special candlelight Christmas Eve service at 7:30 p.m.

Hospital offers cardiac rehab lecture series

The first in a series of cardiac rehab lectures via REMEC interactive television will be held on Thursday, Jan. 2, from 7-8 p.m. at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

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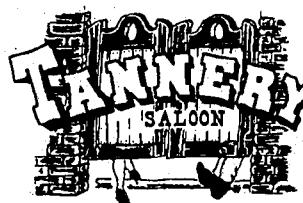
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Holiday shows

East Jordan kindergarteners await instructions from their director at the K-2 Christmas music program held on Monday, Dec. 16, at the Jordan Valley Express.



Photos by B.J. Heller

East Jordan third-graders Kelsey Poineau (left) and Victoria Bingham were in the audience for the third, fourth and fifth grade Christmas program held Tuesday.



Brittney Hanson played Mrs. Claus in the East Jordan Elementary School Christmas program. The third through fifth grade program was held on Tuesday, Dec. 17, at the Jordan Valley Express. Brittney is in the fifth grade.

Students explore light and sound at Raven Hill

The hills were alive with the sound of music as middle schoolers from Boyne City and East Jordan joined together to explore light and sound waves at Raven Hill Discovery Center on Dec. 5.

It was the fourth in this year's series of invitationals, which are designed to help students meet some of the MEAP objectives in a hands-on way. Students were required to design and build a kaleidoscope, periscope or musical instrument as a prerequisite for attending the session.

Once there, students and their chaperones attended four sessions.

One session was led by Tom Kaufman of Tinkertunes Studio in Traverse City. Kaufman brought his keyboard and computer with him and showed students how he uses technology to compose music. He brought other instruments, both traditional and hi-tech, for the students to experiment with.

The second session featured several laser demonstrations. Students

had a chance to investigate lasers on their own after the demonstrations. The third session involved more light and sound activities as well as exploration in the museum itself. Students also had a session with the animals. Before leaving, students played their instruments or demonstrated their kaleidoscopes for the group.

The next Middle School Invitational is Jan. 22 at Raven Hill and

the theme will be "Motion." Students must design and build a mousetrap or rubber band powered car for competition. Any middle school teacher (fifth through eighth grade) in northern Michigan is invited to bring up to 10 students. The limit is 50 students per invitational.

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Celebrating Christmas with song

It looks like Natasha Bell, like all young children, wants to reach out and hold Christmas and all it means during last Wednesday's Christmas program at Boyne City Elementary School. Natasha and her other reindeer classmates from Chris Rice's afternoon class sang "Ernest the Unbelieving Reindeer." Pictured with Natasha are, from left: Katrina Gillespie, Elizabeth Hayden and Andy Nichols.



Under the direction of Erin VanDeCar, students performed a beautiful program for family members and staff.



Even the school staff got into the holiday spirit with a humorous version of "All I Want for Christmas." From left are Sherry Sheldon, Ed Snyder, Christy Dunne and Chris Rice.

Life is pretty good at the North Pole, but Boyne City fourth graders know that once in a while even "Santa Sings the Blues," and they dressed the part just to show they know what they're talking about.



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What to do with the Dahlquist building?

By B. J. HETLER

Footsteps broke the silence inside the old, long-ago deserted brick building on East Jordan's Main Street.

It wasn't prowlers peering through filmy windows and checking out the rooms, but rather it was the city administrator, an architect and an economic development advisor.

Administrator David White brought architect Richard Neumann and advisor Tom Johnson of Great Lakes Economic Alliance to 104 Main St., commonly known as the Dahlquist Building, to see what might be done with the building to possibly restore it, and to make it secure for the winter months.

The building has been around long enough to be a part of East Jordan's bustling downtown back in the 1880s and into the 1900s. It was home to a company store for Glenn & Porter Lumber Company, a hardware store, and most recently, Snizbee's 5 & Dime.

But the building hasn't been used for several years and it's been ignored so it's in a state of disrepair.

Now with the revitalization spirit taking over the city, and the city's acquiring a quit-claim deed for the old building, the structure is no longer being ignored as the city assesses its future.

The Dahlquist Building was owned by an investor who neglected to make repairs or improve it. The city had obtained a default judgment on the property, so the investor deeded the building over to the city.

The long-term plans for the building have not been determined, but the city is readying the building for winter. The roof needs sealing for leaks, the back of the building needs to be removed and then closed off, and bricks need salvaging for use in repair. Holes in walls and windows need to be blocked or repaired.

In its present condition the building is almost without value, said architect Richard Neumann. The cost of renovating the building is not yet known, but a great deal of work has to be done.

Neumann believes it is important to maintain the building because it's important to the urban area. It can be renovated to house a restaurant, office space or retail shops on the main level, and perhaps apartments on the upper floors, he said.

An historic designation would provide a financial incentive for a private investor to renovate the building.

"It has no official historic designation, but there's no doubt that it qualifies to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places," Neumann said.

Once on the Register, there is a significant incentive for a private developer, Neumann said. Whoever purchases the building would qualify for a 20 percent investment tax credit. The building is "a perfect candidate for something like that," he said, adding that Main Street could qualify as an historic district.

The historic designation is being researched for the city as a whole, White said.

In the meantime, with the cracks and holes blocked up, the winter winds won't blow quite so fiercely through the Dahlquist Building as it waits for a possible new beginning in the spring.



Concord Academy Boyne kindergartener Jack Carlson pets Ned, a Belgium horse, after a sleigh ride at R & M of Boyne. His teacher Laura Shirilla holds Ned's bridle.

Dashing through the snow ...



R & M's Belgium horse, Ned, has no trouble pulling kindergarteners from Concord Academy Boyne through the woods. His driver is Les Crandell, who also takes care of R & M's horses.

Students enjoy an old-fashioned sleigh ride

Kindergarteners from Concord Academy Boyne enjoyed a sleigh ride on Wednesday at R & M of Boyne. Teachers led the group in carols as the horse-drawn sleigh glided through the woods.

"They had a blast," said Laura Shirilla, a teacher at the academy. A high point was petting the Belgium horse, Ned, at the end of the ride.

Les Crandell drives the sleigh for R & M and takes care of Ned. He enjoys seeing people have fun on the sleigh rides.

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Here comes Santa

Santa and his reindeer made their rounds through the Boyne Falls school gym during the school's annual Christmas program last Thursday evening. Santa was played by Matt Britton (he stole the show), and the reindeer include Audrey Wasylewski, Erica Simon, Sarah Skop, Jenny Utley and Amber Giem. The program was titled "An American Christmas."



Dawn Fish had her moment with Santa and when it arrived she had to stop and think what she really wanted for Christmas. Santa took time from his busy schedule after the program to visit with students.



Second graders were all smiles after their rousing rendition of "Deck the Halls." Students pictured from left are: Craig Reynolds, Dustin Crego, Shane Cered, Jonathon Carson, Amanda Lambert, and Marissa Bingman.

East Jordan chamber raffle winners have extra money for Christmas

The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce '96 Cash Raffle series ended on a merry note with the following winners receiving checks for \$100 to help with their Christmas shopping:

Kim Thomson of Petoskey, Billie Hanley of Boyne City and Archie Nemecek and L.H. Bennett, both of East Jordan. Ticket sellers were Marie Beach, Margaret

Thomson, Joan Lemerand and Joanne Smith.

The 1997 Cash Raffle tickets are on sale for \$10 each. First drawing for '97 will be the third Tuesday in January. There is no limit to the number of times one ticket can win throughout the year. Tickets may be purchased from the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce or call for ticket locations at 536-7351.

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By NANCY NORTHUP

STU AND KAY Holly of Boyne City are spending the holidays in Monroe with her parents, Judge and Mrs. William Taft.

ON SATURDAY night, Litzemberger Place tenants enjoyed the Christmas Carols of the Faith Lutheran Church of the German Settlement area of Boyne City.

BONNIE URMAN of Walloon Lake was reportedly showing some improvement on Saturday as she recuperates in the ICU at Northern Michigan Hospital after having suffered a stroke midweek.

FRANK ABBETT of Boyne City is enjoying a week or 10 days at the home of his daughter, Sharon LaBlanc, and family in Medway, Maine.

DARRYL AND MARCIE Thompson of Ashley returned to their home on Tuesday following a long weekend of early Christmas and family December birthday celebrations at the Anderson Road home of his parents Dorothy and Verlin Thompson. His sister, Lisa Thompson, a student at Western Michigan in Kalamazoo was also with the family over the holidays.

THE BOYNE VALLEY Slim & Trim

Club enjoyed the final phase of their Christmas celebrations this past Wednesday with a sack lunch, fun gift exchange and bingo party. All enjoyed their annual Christmas dinner party gathering last week at the Country Star Restaurant in Boyne City. The club will resume their meetings on the first Wednesday of '97 at Litzemberger Place with a 12:30 p.m. weigh-in.

MARK AND JEANETTE Behling and daughter Shannah flew from their home in Arkansas to Detroit to attend the funeral of her sister, Genevieve Avery Hankins. Renting a car, they drove to Boyne City to be able to spend a couple days pre-Christmas celebrating with his mother, Thelma Behling.

PHYLLIS HARDY of Boyne City and Elwood and Marilyn Hardy of Conway hosted a pre-Christmas dinner and gift exchange party at the Lakeview Village Mobile Home Club House on Sunday for a group of 40 of their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

LITZENBURGER PLACE tenants have been enjoying the true meaning of Christmas throughout the month as many organizations, students of Mr. Stan Hoover's class, churches, and individual "Angels" of the season have showered them with cards,

letters, food, and music of the holidays. All were more than pleased with the excellent community basket gift of luscious fruit and plump chickens on Friday.

DENNIS CRISSMAN is recuperating at his Clute Road home in Boyne City after undergoing successful back surgery last Monday in Traverse City.

KEN AND KRISTEN Robinson of Detroit, Karen Anthony and her brother Nicholas of Rochester, and Sherry Edlund of Waleska, Ga., were here this week with mom and grandmother Jean Korhase for some pre-Christmas celebrating. Ken and Nicholas also took in a Saturday of skiing in Searchmont, Canada.

LITZENBURGER PLACE tenants welcomed the "over the holidays" arrival of their newest tenant, Eleanor Detcher.

GERI BURGESS of Boyne City recently returned from a trip to Turlock, Calif., where she was joined by her brother, Roy Whitford, for a Mexican cruise. Geri is spending the holidays in Royal Oak with her son, Jerry Burgess and wife Pam and her daughter Jill and children.

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Volunteers paired up to fill boxes with food for the Boyne Area Community Christmas on Friday. Their efforts helped approximately 1,000 people in area communities to have a Christmas meal.

Making the holidays happy for all

The Boyne Area Community Christmas provided food baskets and toys to approximately 1,000 people from Boyne Falls to Elmira, from Boyne City to the East Jordan line and to Bay Shore as volunteers worked all day preparing and delivering the baskets on Friday.

The Boyne City Knights of Columbus Hall was filled with workers who showed up to help the communities celebrate the season.

"We need young men over here to carry boxes," a volunteer hollered. "Anyone under the age of 70 should get over here."

Everyone paused to laugh, then continued their organized efforts even bees might envy. Volunteers paired up, picked up a card designating the size of the family in need and then filled the boxes with potatoes, canned goods, bread, a turkey or a chicken, and other food items. If the family had young children, toys were placed in the boxes.

Buzz Walls has helped with the project since 1973. Periodically he got on the microphone to belt out orders to keep everyone in line and working efficiently. The volunteers were doing a great job, he said.

"It's the best year as far as people being thoughtful," Walls said. People were going the extra step to help others. More than 100 volunteers worked to give others a good holiday.

Organizer Thelma Behling agreed. "It's going great. We have a lot of help."

The community Christmas effort begins about the first of December when items are collected at Behling's home. Behling is one of the organizers of Community Christmas from when it began in 1954.



Jack Camburn (left) and Donald Kenyon unpack boxes of turkeys and put them in bags Friday at the Knights of Columbus hall for the Boyne Area Community Christmas project. Each box contained a turkey or a chicken, along with other food items for a complete Christmas meal.

OBITUARIES

Genevieve Hankins

Genevieve Hankins, 55, died Dec. 13, 1996.

Her funeral service was on Monday, Dec. 16, at Edward Swanson & Sons Funeral Home in Madison Heights.

She was born March 29, 1941 in the Detroit area to James and Vera (Supnick) Avery and moved to Boyne City as a child. She graduated from Boyne City High School in 1959. In 1961, she married George Hankins in Boyne City.

Survivors include her parents, James and Vera Avery of Montverde, Fla.; two sons, Garrie and Gregg, both of the Detroit area; one daughter,

Geneifer (Charles) Dunham of the Detroit area; two grandchildren, Mark and Hannah; four sisters, Caroline (Gary) Psenicka of Novi, Ruth Becker of Milford, Jeanette Marie (Mark) Behling of Batesville, Ark., and Ann Ball of Montverde, Fla.; three brothers, William (Jeanette) Avery of Boyne City, James Avery of Alma, Richard (Toni) Avery of Traverse City; and many nieces and nephews.

Genevieve was preceded in death by a brother, Larry A. Avery.

Memorials may be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Association.

Mark Gregory Newville

Mark Gregory Newville, 38, of Washington D.C., died at home on Dec. 1 of AIDS-related complications. He was born in Grand Rapids and lived for 12 years in Boyne City, but also spent several years in Ohio where he graduated from Perrysburg Ohio High School in 1975.

Memorial services will be held at St. Matthews Church in Boyne City at a later date. Contributions may be made to David's House in Toledo or to the Casey Newville Scholarship Fund in care of the FMB Bank in Boyne City.

Mr. Newville, a retired chef, was born Dec. 9, 1957 to Gary Patrick Newville and Shirlee Ann Stansell Suter. He trained as a chef at the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, New York. He studied in France at the Sorbonne and in Italy before graduating from American University, in Washington D.C., where he lived since 1980.

Mr. Newville retired in 1994 from the Motion Picture Association of America in Washington D.C. where he had been executive chef since 1991. Before cooking for movie stars, he had founded and run Visiting Chefs, a service that specialized in bringing Washington area chefs into people's own kitchens to cook and cater meals. He started Visiting Chefs in the spring of 1987. In the 1980's, he also co-founded and

ran Just Northwest Wines, a company that imported wines from the Pacific Northwest. He had worked as a waiter at Restaurant Nora in Washington and as maitre d' and manager of Glorious Cafe in Washington.

Mr. Newville enjoyed cooking for his friends in his spare time and was known for his hospitality and elegant, beautiful dinners in any setting. He even catered an annual Fourth of July picnic in canoes on the Potomac River to watch the fireworks. He loved attending concerts and ballet, gardening and traveling. He was a member of St. Matthews Cathedral in D.C.

Mr. Newville was preceded in death by his father Gary Patrick Newville and by his brother Casey Steven Newville.

He is survived by his mother and step-father Shirlee Ann Stansell Suter and Robert Suter of Bowling Green, Ohio; his sister, Camilla Newville-Cooper, her husband Robert John Cooper and their children Dylan, Olivia and Whitney Cooper of Mt. Pleasant; step-brother, Timothy Suter of Toledo, Ohio; step-sister, Erin Suter of Cleveland, Ohio; nephew Colin Suter of Toledo; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Stansell and Evelyn Newville, all of Boyne City; and Mrs. and Mrs. John Suter of Perrysburg, Ohio.

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Monday Study Club

The annual Christmas party meeting of the Monday Study Club was Dec. 16 at the home of Leah Waggoner, with 27 members and guests attending. Leah's home was beautifully decorated for the holiday season, just as it has been for many prior Christmas meetings.

The program was "Christmas Around the World" and readings were given by various members, which told of the customs and how Christmas originated and is celebrated in France, Germany-Austria, Poland, Sweden, Italy, The Middle East, and in Colonial and early America. The group then sang a number of favorite Christmas carols, accompanied by Fran Bray on the keyboard.

A variety of gifts for a teenage boy or girl were brought by the members and placed under the tree, all of which were donated to the Boyne City area Community Christmas basket project.

The highlight of the evening was a visit by the 20-member Boyne City Snowbelt Chorus, under the direction of Bill Woodbeck, who entertained with a variety of Yuletide favorites. At the completion of their performance, chorus members enjoyed the hospitality of a holiday potluck buffet.

The next meeting is March 17 at the Boyne District Library, in keeping with the 1996-97 program theme of touring historic places in our area.

BC Yacht Club

The Boyne City Yacht Club recently made a contribution to three area programs.

The club, according to commodore Janell Pawlus, donated \$500 each to the Camp Daggett sailing program, the Boyne City Swim School, and the Charlevoix County 4-H mariners sailing program.

The yacht club currently has approximately 260 members.



For the complex

All the candy bars, popcorn and pop you bought from the Boyne City Lions' concession stand during home football games last season has been put to good use. At the Lions Club meeting last Wednesday, Lions president Rick Pethers presented Ralph Gillett, a fellow Lion and Boyne City's Foundation for Educational Excellence treasurer, a check for \$2,500 to be used for the new sports complex. The majority of the money was earned from concession sales at football games.

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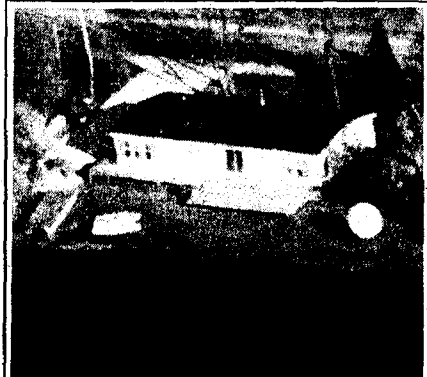


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Everyone was very accommodating and the American Legion Auxiliary served wonderful refreshments throughout the day. This is another fine example of the helpful and generous spirit of people in our small town.

We also wish to thank the crafters that participated in our show. Shoppers were treated to wonderful booths of stained glass, jewelry, needlework and of course a huge array of fabulous Christmas decorations and gifts.

Deborah E. Thompson
Executive Director, Boyne City Chamber of Commerce

WHAT'S COOKING

Recipes designed in the kitchen of Debbie Chappuis,
with East Jordan cooks in mind.

This holiday season I have been taking advantage of short-cut and 'make-ahead' recipes as much as possible. The potato recipe I have for you was a huge hit at our employee party and taught me to make extra next time. The recipe yields 8 to 10 servings, but count on people taking big servings. You can make this a low fat dish if you would like to save on a few calories.

Fix-ahead Potato Casserole

8 to 10 medium baking potatoes, peeled (about 4 pounds)
1 (8 oz.) package cream cheese, softened
1 (8 oz.) carton sour cream
1/4 cup fresh or frozen chopped chives
2 tsp. salt
Paprika

1/2 cup milk
1 clove garlic, minced
1 Tbl. butter or margarine, melted

Cook potatoes in boiling water about 30 minutes or until tender. Drain and mash.

Beat cream cheese at medium speed with an electric mixer until smooth. Add potatoes, sour cream and next 4 ingredients, stirring well. Spoon into a lightly greased 11x7x1 1/2 inch baking dish and drizzle with butter.

Cover and refrigerate overnight if desired. Remove from refrigerator and let stand at room temperature 30 minutes.

Bake uncovered at 350° for 30 minutes or until heated through. Sprinkle with paprika.

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SPORTS

Red Devils win their 4th in a row

Parke Bluhm has a triple double in win over Mancelona Friday

It's still early in the season, but East Jordan coach Del Ingalls has to be feeling good about the play of his varsity basketball team.

As they take a break for the holidays, the Red Devils are 4-0 and except for their opening game when they were missing three players, have not really been challenged.

Mancelona was the latest team to feel the pressure of East Jordan, as the Red Devils won Friday night 69-45. Last Tuesday, East Jordan dominated Onaway, winning by a lopsided score of 94-62.

While the Red Devils had a comfortable margin of victory over Mancelona, there were a few tense moments until early in the third quarter.

East Jordan lead by only four at the half and were struggling with foul trouble and Mancelona's zone defense. At the half Ingalls made some adjustments and the Red Devils blew the game wide open early in the third quarter.

The game was one to remember for Parke Bluhm, who led the Red Devils with a triple double. He scored 27 points, had 10 rebounds, 10 assists, and just for good measure, 6 steals.

"Parke is running the team really well," Ingalls said.

Scott Haley also turned in a strong performance with 21 points, 5 rebounds and 4 steals.

In the Red Devils 94-62 win over Onaway last Tuesday, five players were in double figures, led this time by Haley, who had 21 points. Deniz Wilson had 15 points, Bluhm 14, and James Malpass and Matt Shaw each had 13.

The Red Devils will return to action Jan. 3 when they play Central Lake. Until then Ingalls is feeling good about how his team is coming together.

"I'm real happy with the progress we've made," he said. "We've gotten guys to buy into their roles. We're playing really hard."

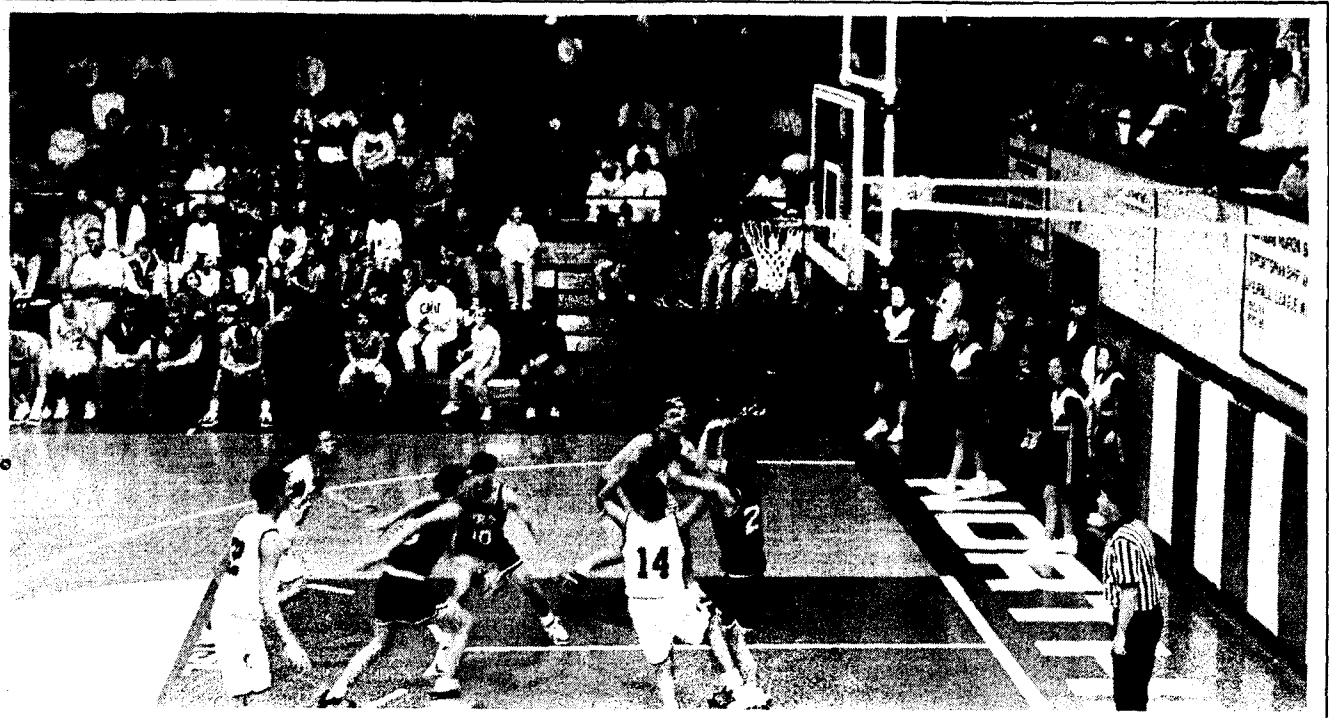


Photo by Chris Winkler

After their disappointing loss at Petoskey last Friday, the Ramblers will regroup over the holiday break and work on "teamwork and chemistry," head coach Kevin Fitzpatrick said.

THIS TIME AROUND, PETOSKEY WAS IN COMMAND

Not a gracious host

By CHRIS WINKLER

The Boyne City Ramblers saw last year what can happen when Petoskey's Trevor Huffman and John Flynn take the floor. Friday's game was no different. Throw in big man Tyler Swenor, and the trio had 61 points to lead Petoskey to an 85-65 win over the Ramblers.

After a slow start for both teams, Boyne's Dean Fiel scored two and a half minutes into the game, and then the Northmen went on a 20-8 run to finish the first quarter. Boyne looked sluggish in the first half, turning the ball over eight times in the opening frame and 12 times in the half. The score heading into the locker room was 41-22.

"We went in at half-time," said Rambler coach Kevin Fitzpatrick, "and talked about teamwork and using each other both offensively and defensively. We didn't make a lot of adjustments of what we were doing in the game, we just needed to do things together. And to develop a chemistry and

all in the second half."

The players certainly listened to their coach. By only turning the ball over four times after intermission, Boyne got to within 13 at one point, but could gain no more ground.

"We came into this game knowing that Flynn and Huffman would get their 40 to 50 points, and we had to contain them," Fitzpatrick said.

The dynamic duo made 22 points apiece, but Fitzpatrick points to the play down low (center Swenor scored 17) as the major contributor to the defeat.

"You have to be able to control the paint, number one, in rebounding. And number two, you have to establish a low post game and score," Fitzpatrick said.

The Northmen dominated the boards, 27-19. For Boyne City, Jason Richards had four, and Jason Rozycki and Jesse Belford each grabbed three.

Rozycki led the Ramblers with 18 points, and Bill Case looked good driving the baseline from his off-guard spot with 11,

all in the second half.

"This game wasn't over until the last two minutes," Fitzpatrick said. "We cut it down, and got them in some foul trouble. A lot of that was the intensity level. Billy Case did a really nice job. He was simply aggressive at the offensive end of the floor, which was what we needed. Especially early, we were far too tentative, and that's a credit to their defense."

Boyne has no games until Jan. 7 when it meets Onaway, but the team will not be taking it easy. "We've got a lot of things to work on," Fitzpatrick said. "We're going downstate to scrimmage three or four Class A teams. We're not only going to work on offense and defense, but on teamwork and the chemistry. We need to develop as a team."

The junior varsity dropped to 0-4 after a 76-54 loss to the Northmen. Josh Hall scored 16 points. Both the varsity and junior varsity will play Petoskey again at Boyne City in early February.



Rolling perfection

Jeff Porter (left) and Joe Deisler, both of Boyne City, were presented with "300" rings and jackets at Boyne City Lanes on Dec. 18. Porter rolled his first 300 game in October, and Deisler added another 300 to his already long list of 300 games. The rings were supplied by American Bowling Congress and the jackets were presented by Boyne City Lanes' owner Dale Brummund. The two are ranked in the Boyne City Lanes 300 Club.

It was not a week of fond memories for Loggers

Boyne Falls knew its game at Harbor Light last Friday would be a tough test; a measure of where it stands against what many believe to be the team to beat in the conference.

Much of what has been said about Harbor Light is true, if you look at the final score of last Friday's game: Harbor 63, Boyne Falls 38.

But Logger coach Frank Hamilla isn't convinced Harbor Light is 25 points better than his Boyne Falls team.

"They are a good team, but we made them look a lot better than they

are," Hamilla said. "We did not play anywhere close to our capability."

The Loggers started fast, taking an early lead, but Harbor battled back to take a 15-12 lead at the end of the first quarter. At the half, the Loggers were down 30-17, but still feeling like they had a chance. Harbor maintained its lead in the third quarter, leading by 15, then pulled away in the closing minutes.

"We started out well, but we got out of our offense and started standing around on defense and they took

it to us," Hamilla said.

"We did not play very well at all as a whole group. It was a total team effort."

After starting the season, 2-0, the Loggers are now 2-2 as they take a few days off for Christmas. They suffered their first loss last Tuesday to Lake Leelanau, 54-53. Leelanau won the game on a shot at the buzzer.

Any loss is tough, but this defeat particularly hurt since the Loggers had a chance to blow the game wide open in the first half. "In the second quarter we had a chance to

go up 25 or 30 points and put them away, but we didn't," Hamilla said.

"We missed easy baskets and lay-ups. We messed up big time."

Against Leelanau, Mark Bears was the offensive leader with 14 points and Pat Gerred, who came off the bench, scored 13.

The Loggers will be travelling north this weekend for a tournament at Munising. They'll play Brimley Friday, and depending on the outcome of the other game, either Munising or Superior Central.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met in Regular Session at 5 p.m. in City Hall, Mayor Peck presiding with all members of the City Commission in attendance. Minutes were approved and acknowledgement was given to paid bills in the amount of \$231,965.49.

Further Commission Action: presented service awards to employees and volunteers; adopted 6 amended ordinances to conform to the 1995 Charter; authorized the purchase of two new ambulances; and exchanged Holiday Greetings.

A copy of the minutes of the above meeting is posted in City Hall for review during regular office hours.

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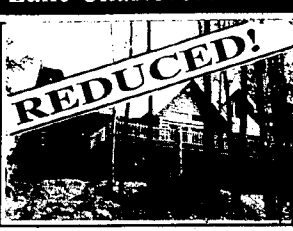
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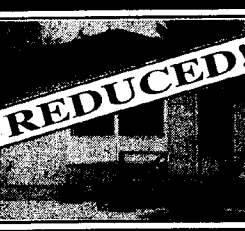
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PUBLIC NOTICES

EVANGELINE TOWNSHIP - SYNOPSIS OF THE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Evangeline Township Board held its regular meeting Dec. 16, 1996 at 7:30 p.m. at the Evangeline Town Hall. Present: Supervisor Shields, Clerk Lory, Deputy Treasurer Swiss, Trustee Kidd. Approved treasurer's report, noting a total of \$59,672.13 in the general fund as of Nov. 30, 1996. Approved payables for November in the amount of \$5,514.74. Meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

Josette A. Lory
Evangeline Township Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE - CITY OF EAST JORDAN AMENDMENTS TO CITY ORDINANCES

The following sections of the East Jordan Code of Ordinances have been amended to reflect 1995 Charter requirements:

- Chapter 9: Entitled Community Development
- Chapter 14: Entitled Mobile Homes and Recreational Vehicles
- Chapter 20: Entitled Planning
- Chapter 22: Entitled Sales
- Chapter 23: Entitled Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places
- Chapter 24: Entitled Subdivision and Land Division

A copy of the amended code sections are available for public inspection and purchase at a reasonable price at City Hall during normal business hours. The amendments will take effect 7 days after this publication.

BAY TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES, DEC. 12, 1996

Meeting called to order with Board Members Chipman, MacLachlan, Simmons, and Hellstrom present. Board Member Moeschke joined meeting in progress. Motion carried to approve minutes. Treasurer's report accepted. Motion carried to pay Township obligations totaling \$11,839.56. Presentation by Mr. Jack Ripstra regarding petition to close Bank Street. Report of Zoning Administrator including issuance of building permits. Motion carried to request Township legal counsel attendance at next meeting to discuss proposed civil infraction ordinance. Motion carried to seek legal counsel input on suspected misrepresentations in applications for second residences on properties under the caretaker classification of the Zoning Ordinance. Report on Planning Commission activities including re-zoning request, proposed lot split ordinance, and review of Township Zoning Ordinance. Motion carried to appoint Edwin J. Bradley, William F. Newman, and Audrey Etienne to Planning Commission. Motion carried to enter into snow plowing contract with Art Barkley. Motion carried to establish regular Board meeting dates on the second Thursday of each month in 1997. Motion carried to authorize purchase of computer equipment and software. Motion carried to amend 1996-97 General Fund Budget to recognize purchase of computer equipment and software. Motion carried to re-appoint Robert Schmoltdt, Gary Koteskey, and Elmer Kochans to the Board of Review. Recognition that Clerk Simmons will be Board representative on Zoning Board of Review. Review and discussion of correspondence. Motion carried to seek legal counsel review of certain lake access matters. Motion carried to approve citizen request to name a previously unnamed lane. Public comment. Next regular meeting to be held Jan. 9, 1997 at 7 p.m. s/David L. Simmons
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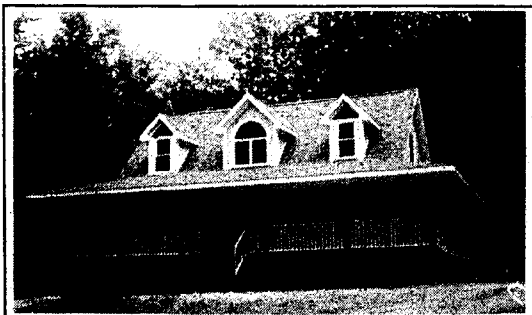
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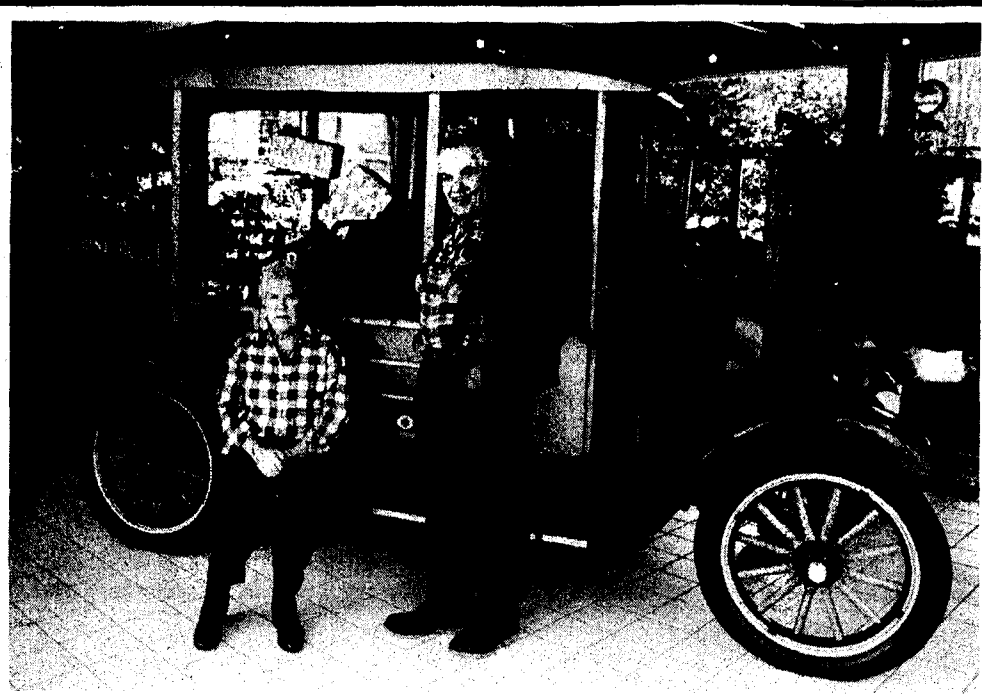
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The 1925 Depot Hack is full of memories for Gen Varnum and Bud Sabin.

A work of art on four wheels

By HUGH CONKLIN

The 1925 Depot Hack sits in the showroom at Great Lakes Motor Works this holiday season, full of packages.

It's also full of memories for Bud Sabin and Gen Varnum.

Bud and Harv Varnum, Gen's husband, who passed away in 1995, created the classic wagon. They didn't rebuild or restore it, they built it from scratch.

Actually they built it from parts they had collected over the years at the countless flea markets and junk yards they visited. When they bought parts they didn't always know what they were going to use them for, but many of them came in handy when they were building the Depot Hack.

The vehicle has a Gray Motors frame and a Martin Parry body. The Depot Hack is best described as an early generation bus. Bud said it was used to transport people back and forth from their cottages or homes to the train depot.

None of those used back in the 1920's and 30's probably looked as good as the one created by Bud and Harv.

Art comes in many shapes, sizes and mediums. This vehicle is definitely a beautiful piece of art. Every inch of it is masterful and full of craftsmanship. From the wood paneling to the spokes on the wheels, the wagon looks perfect.

It's amazing to think the vehicle never existed before Bud and Harv put their love of restoring and building old cars to work on it.

When they started, all they had was a lot of parts and a picture of the vehicle that they found in some old advertising literature. They were helped in their project by Addie Tendal, a long-time Boyne City resident, who had a relative working for Gray Motors. He was able to find some of the vehicle's specifications for them to use.

All Bud and Harv really knew about the car was the size of the wheels. From that they were able to figure the vehicle's other dimensions.

It took Bud and Harv one year to create the vehicle. While they had many of the parts they needed, there were many they had to go find once the vehicle was underway. They also had to find the right type of wood to

finish the body.

It was, for both of them, a labor of love. "It was the first and last one," Bud said. "It was a lot of fun, but I wouldn't do it again."

Most artists feel that way after finishing a masterful piece.

Although from different walks of life, Harv and Bud were best of friends, brought together by their love of antique vehicles. Harv was the county's prosecuting attorney and served many years as district judge until his death.

Bud retired after working many years at Mathers Ford and now works in his own garage fixing and restoring cars.

"They were great friends," Gen said.

Great Lakes Motor Works, located next to Industrial Magnetics, is open daily from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. The Depot Hack is on display until after the New Year.

"It was the first and last one. It was a lot of fun, but I wouldn't do it again."

--Bud Sabin

Health Department says there are no problems with flu shots

Individuals who received the flu vaccine from the District 3 Health Department do not need a second dose, according to Brian Young, the department's medical director.

The flu vaccine administered by the health department was manufactured by Wyeth Laboratories not by

Parke-Davis.

In some areas of northern Michigan there were problems with the flu vaccine and in some cases a second shot was suggested. The vaccine in

those areas was manufactured by Parke-Davis.

District 3 Health Department serves Charlevoix, Antrim, Otsego, and Emmet counties.

Old Kent planning move to Boyne

Old Kent Bank is planning to close its Walloon branch office and move it to downtown Boyne City.

The bank will be moving to 102 S. Lake St., the old home of Korthase-Lindsay Insurance.

The move is contingent on regulatory approval from the state. Virginia Panoff, vice president in charge of branch administration for Old Kent said the application process has been started and she expects to receive an answer in late January.

"We have been looking at the Boyne City area for years," Panoff said. "It has reached a point where the Walloon branch is not growing, and Boyne is growing by leaps and bounds."

"I think there is a good market there."

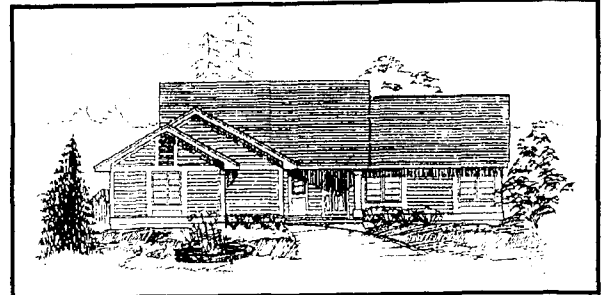
The bank hopes to be open in Boyne City sometime in March. Old Kent is leasing the building but plans to make several improvements and give it a Victorian look as recommended in the Downtown Develop-

ment Authority's plan.

The bank will be expanding its staff and range of services, Panoff said. It will have the equivalent of two full time tellers, a business de-

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